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Caledonian Mercury

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A short Account of all the most considerable News,
Foreign and Domestic.

Edinburgh, Tuesday December 24, 1723.

From the Evening Post, Dec. 19.

London, Dec. 19.

LAST Saturday came in Letters from France of the 6th Instant, and Yesterday arrived a Courier from Paris with Letters dated last Thursday Night, the 12th Instant, they bring Advice, That the Most Christian King continues in good Health, and that Affairs are kept in the same Channel they were in before the Death of the late Duke of Orleans: That at Cambray the Ceremonial between the Plenipotentiaries being intirely adjusted, the Congress would forthwith be opened, and that there was not the least doubt it will be very speedily brought to a happy Conclusion.

Mr. Pyne an eminent Citizen, of Mincing-lane, is dead, who hath left 12000 l. to a Nephew of his, and considerable Legacies to his other Relations: 500 l. to St. Thomas's Hospital, 300 l. to three Dissenting Ministers, 250 l. to the Dissenters Fund, to be applied to the Uses specified in his Will.

This Day at Noon, South Sea Stock was 114. South Sea Annuity 99, 7 8ths; Bank 121, 3 qrs. India 138. African 13, 1 qrs. York Buildings 13, 1 8th.

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From the Flying Post:

Madrid, Nov. 30. On the 11th the Jesuites of the Imperial College celebrated the annual Services for the Repose of the Souls of the Officers and Soldiers who lost their Lives in the Service of the State; and the Rector of St. George's College preached a most Eloquent Sermon, at which a great Number of General Officers and Persons of Distinction were present, according to the Invitation of the Marquis de Lede, his Majesty's Captain General.

Rome, Nov. 23. The Sieurs Contrini, Saffi and Gregorini, who were the three famous Architects of Italy, are lately dead.

From the Whitehall Evening Post.

London, Dec. 17. We hear that the Right Honourable the Lords of the Treasury have granted the Spanish Ambassador, and other publick Ministers, their Wine and Provisions Custom free.

Saturday last, the Coroners Inquest having sat upon the Body of Captain Long, who shot himself, as mentioned in our last, brought in their Verdict, *Lunacy.*

Last Sunday the Right Honourable the Earl of Godolphin's Daughter was baptised by the Name of Mary, the Duke of Bridgewater standing Godfather by his Proxy, the Honourable Charles Edgerton, Esq; and her Grace the Dutchess of Newcastle and the Dutchess of Montague, Godmothers, the latter being now in France, was represented by Mrs. Griffin.

Last Week two Soldiers that mounted the Prince's Guard, happening to fall out at the White-hart Ale-house adjoining to the Palace; one stabb'd the other, of which Wound he is since dead: The deceased was a Granadier of the Scotch Regiment of Foot Guards, and the other a Hat-man of the same Regiment.

From the Whitehall Evening Post, Dec. 15.

Genoa, Dec. The 1st Instant our great Council met, and resolved, That there shall for the future, be two Governours of Corsica, one to reside (as hitherto) at Bastia, and the other at Bonifacio, on that Island.

Turin, Dec. 15. On the 7th Instant, a Courier arrived here from Court Maffi with the News of the Duke of Orleans's sudden Death. His Sardinian Majesty did not think fit to acquaint the Queen with it till next Day, when it was declared in Publick, and Orders given for going into Mourning on Sunday the 12th, accordingly that Day the Nobility went to Court and kissed their Majesties Hands, the Ladies wearing black Veils.

London, Dec. 15. Last Saturday, there arose a Rumour of the Death of the French King, which being industriously propagated the next Day and on Monday lowing, did not fail of working the intended Effect upon our Stocks: But on Tuesday the Falshood was detected by the Arrival of a Courier here from Paris, with Letters dated last Thursday, which advise, That the Most Christian King continues in good Health and that Affairs are kept in in the same Channel as before the Death of the late Duke of Orleans.

We hear a Marriage is agreed between a Son of Mr. Marcus Moses, the rich Jew, who lately brought over with him from India, a fine Green Diamond of vast Value, and a Daughter of Mr. Benjamin Isaac's, and 'tis said Mr. Moses gives his Son a round

Continuation of the Act of Parliament begun in our Last.

Be it Enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons in this present

sent Parliament Assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That all and every Person and Persons, not having taken the Oaths herein after mentioned before the last Day of Trinity Term, One thousand seven hundred and sixteen, in the Manner by Law required, having any Estate or Interest in any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or who shall hereafter have any Estate or Interest in Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, lying, being, or arising in that Part of Great Britain called England, or in Wales, or the Town of Berwick upon Tweed, who is or shall be a Popish Recusant, or Papist, or is or shall be Educated in the Popish Religion, or whose Parent or Parents shall be a Papist or Papists, or who shall use or profess the Popish Religion, shall, if he, she or they be, on the Twenty fourth of June, One thousand seven hundred and sixteen, of the Age of One and twenty Years, on or before the Twentieth Day of January, in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and sixteen, and if he, she, or they be, on the said Twenty fourth of June, unborn, or under that Age, within the Space of Six Months next after he, she, or they shall respectively attain to that Age, and have such Estate or Interest, as aforesaid, take the several Oaths appointed to be taken by such Persons who bear any Office under His Majesty, by an Act made in this present Session of Parliament, Entituled, *An Act for the further Security of His Majesty's Person and Government, and the Succession of the Crown in the Heirs of the late Princess Sophia, being Protestants, and for extinguishing the Hopes of the Pretended Prince of Wales, and his open and secret Abettors, and also Repete and Subscribe the Declaration set down and expressed in the Act of Parliament made in the Thirtieth Year of the Reign of the late King Charles the Second, Intituled, An Act for the more effectual Preserving the King's Person and Government, by Disabling Papists from Sitting in either House of Parliament,* in the High Court of Chancery, Court of King's Bench, Court of Common Pleas, or Court of Exchequer, or at the General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace, to be holden for the County, Riding, or Division, where such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or some Part thereof, shall lie or arise, between the Hours of Nine and Twelve of the Clock in the Forenoon, or in Default thereof, shall, within the Space of Six Months next after the Time hereby appointed for him, her, or them to take the said Oaths, and so, from time to time, within Six Months after he, she, or they, or any Trustee or Trustees for him, her, or them, or his, her, or their Benefit or Advantage, shall come into the Possession or Perception of the Rents or Profits of any other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, Register, or procure to be Registered, his, her, or their Name or Names and all such Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, whereof he, she, or they, or any Trustee or Trustees for him, her, or them, or his, her, or their Benefit, or Advantage, shall be in Possession, or in the Receipt or Perception of the Rents or Profits which are situate, lying, being, or arising in England, Wales, or the Town of Berwick upon Tweed; and shall Express or cause to be Expressed in such Register, in what Parish, Township, or Place, such Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, and every Part thereof lie or arise, and who, for the time being, is or are the Possessors thereof, and of every Part thereof, and what Estate or Interest he, she or they, whose Name or Names is or shall be so Registered respectively, have in the same, and in every Part and Parcel thereof respectively, and the Yearly Rent Reserved to him, her, or them for the same, if the same shall be Lett; and if the same shall be Lett upon Lease, then by whom such Lease was made, what yearly or other Rent is Reserved thereupon, and what Fine or Sum of Money was paid for such Lease thereof, in case the same was made by himself, or any Person in Trust for him, or that he was Party or Privy thereunto, and the Time and Day of the Month, and the Year when such Entry shall be made, in a Parchment Book or Books, Roll or Rolls, which shall be kept by the Clerk of the Peace for every County, Riding and Division where such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments shall respectively lie, arise, or be. And to the end that all Fraudulent or Coveneous Registering any Persons Names or Estates, who do not desire to have them Registered, may be prevented,

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every Person whose Name and Estate shall be, or ought to be Registered, as aforesaid, is hereby Obligated to take care that his Name be, within the Six Months hereby allowed for making such Registry, subscribed to such Registry or Entry in the said Books or Rolls, in the Presence of Two or more Justices of the Peace for the County, Riding, or Division where such Registry shall be, in open Sessions, either by the Person himself whose Name and Estate shall be so Registered, or by his Attorney or Attorneys, thereunto Lawfully Authorized by Warrant of Attorney under his Hand and Seal, Executed by him in the Presence of Two or more Witnesses, Two of which Witnesses at the least shall make Proof of such Execution upon their Oaths at the Quarter-Sessions where such Name shall be Subscribed or Registry produced; and the Justices of the said Court of Quarter-Sessions, are hereby Impowered and Required to Examine such Witnesses upon Oath for that Purpose; and Two of the Justices of the Peace then present shall Subscribe their Name to every such Entry which shall be so made before them, as Witnesses that the same was duly made, as aforesaid; and in Default thereof, each of the said Justices then present shall Forfeit Twenty Pounds to the King. And to the end that the Parties concerned in the Premises may find no Difficulty in procuring their Names and Estates to be Registered, as aforesaid, all and every such Clerk and Clerks of the Peace are hereby Required to keep Parchment Books or Parchment Rolls at some notorious Place in the Country, Riding, or Division, in which they shall act as Clerks of the Peace, and shall by themselves or their Lawful Deputies Register and Enter in the said Books or Rolls the Christian and Surnames of all and every such Person or Persons, who shall come in Person and desire to be Registered, as aforesaid, or shall send any Writing under his, her, or their Name or Names, and shall also Register the Estate in Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, of every such Person and Persons, in such Manner and in such Words, as he, she, or they shall, by any Writing Signed by him, her, or them respectively, desire such Clerk of the Peace, or his Deputy, to Register the same: Provided the Person or Persons who desire such Registry to be made, shall Tender and Pay to such Clerk and Clerks of the Peace, or to his or their Lawful Deputies, the Fees hereby appointed to be Paid unto him or them for such Registering, and so that they apply to him or them to Enter such Registry, and deliver to him in Writing the Words he or they respectively desire to have so Registered or Entred, Ten Days at the least before the Quarter-Sessions where the Entries thereof are to be Subscribed, as aforesaid; And, &c.

[To be Continued in our Next.]

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, Dec. 19, 1723.

THIS Day was published the Treaty of Alliance concluded at Petersburg the 12th of September O. S. Between the Emperor of Great Russia and the Sophi of Persia, by his Plenipotentiary Ismael Beeg, by Virtue of which, his Russian Imperial Majesty promises to the Persian King his Assistance against the Rebels; and in Order to reestablish him in his Dominions, his Imperial Majesty engages himself to send as soon as possible, a considerable Body of Foot and Horse to act against the said Rebels, and promises to take for his own Enemies, all those that are Enemies to the Persian Empire, and that he will look upon those who are in Amity with Persia as his own Friends, which the King of Persia promises solemnly to observe; likewise, with Respect to his Czarish Majesty's Enemies, and to yield for ever to him and the Russian Empire the Cities of Derbent and Baku, with all the Countries bordering on the Caspian Sea: Also the Provinces of Gilland, Misondray and Astrabat; and obliges himself (in Case a sufficient Number of Horses cannot be found in the aforementioned Countries requisite for the Russian Cavalry, Artillery, Baggage and Provisions, to furnish as many as they shall want, at the Rate of 12 Rubles a Head.

By Virtue of the aforesaid Treaty, the Subjects on both Sides may freely, and without being molested, pass and repass into each Dominion, to settle and trade there as they shall think fit.

'Tis believed the next Mails from Holland, of which 4 are due, will give a Confirmation of the Turks declaring War against the Czar, to prevent which, the French Ambassador at the Porte had used, as we have been told, his utmost Endeavours, but the like is not said of some of other foreign Ministers there.

'Tis expected likewise, that the next Mails will give us the so long wished for News of a Redress of the Grievances of the Protestants in the Empire, and also some Account of an Accomodation of the Affair relating to the Ostend India Company, which otherways may prove of dangerous Consequence.

The King no doubt is in Holland ready to embark with the first fair Wind, which has happened this Time to fail his Majesty, it having for several Days past, blow'd strong at West North West. Wagers are carry'd on in Exchange Alley and other Places touching the King's Return, which some are of Opinion will not be till after Christmalls.

Yesterday arrived at Spithead his Majesty's Ship Dragon, Capt. Scot Commander, who took the Pretender's Ship at Genoa: and has been cruising in the Streights for 6 Years past. The Success bound from Waterford to Havre de Grace, foundered lately near the Coast of France and was lost, but the Men were taken up by an Irish Ship, which was afterwards stranded near Calais.

The same Day 2 Estates in Essex, belonging to Mr. Robert Chester one of the late Directors, were put up to Sale at the South Sea House, viz. one at 10000 L. sold to Mr. Porter for 11325 L. and the other put up at 6000 L. and sold to Arthur Black Esq. for 7050 L. Two Estates in Suffex and London belonging to Mr. Jacob Sawbridge were put up, one at 2800 L. and sold to his Son Mr. John Sawbridge for 2805 L. no Body else bidding for the Same; and the other, at 300 L. per Annum for Life put up at 1440 L. and sold likewise to Mr. Sawbridge the Joyner for 1445 L.

The Reverend Doctor King Master of the Charter-house, and Chaplain to the 2d. Regiment of Foot Guards is put into the Commission of the Peace for the County of Middlesex. The young Lord Cowpar, who is at the Charter-house School, and in the 14 Year of his Age, is preparing to go and travel in foreign Parts. The Phenix bound from Petersburg for London, was lately lost near Yarmouth; and one of the Irish Packet Boats was flaved to Pieces in the late Storms. A curious Mace of Silver Gilt, weighing 100 Ounces, is just finished to be sent to Jamaica, to be carried before the Duke of Portland Governor of that Island. South Sea Stock 114. South Sea Annuity 99, 1/2.

A D V E R T I S E M E N T.

THAT the Lands and Barony of *Thornydikes*, lying within the Parochine of *Woolstruther*, and Sherifsdome of *Berwick*, is to be exposed to Sale by a publick voluntary Roup, in *February* next, upon the Day and in the Place hereafter to be notified the Rental whercof, is wholly in Money, and extends to 2393 L. 13 s. 4 d. besides *Kain*, and the Service of winning of Peats by the Tenants, who are bound to leave Steel-bow-Straw. The Lands hold of the Sovereign Taxward, the Duties are pretty easy, the Rental may be considerably improved; there is no Stipend paid to the Minister, the Tiends being valued at 108 L. yearly, payable to a Tacksman; and the Heritor near 30 Years since

since, obtain'd Decreet of Sale. The School-Master's Fee is 8 L. Scots, and the Cess is 13 L. 7 s. per Month. The Lands are furnished with a commodious Isolated Mansion-House and good Office-Houses, with a Garden, and two Grass-Yards not to be rented. It lies a Mile from the Paroch Church, 15 Miles from *Berwick* upon *Tweed*, on the *East*, 12 Miles from *Caldstream*, and 9 Miles from *Kelso* on the *South*, 3 Miles from the Burgh of *Lawder* on the *West*; and 7 Miles from the Town of *Dunee* on the *North-East*. The Person concerned in the Roup (who is to be found in the *Laigh-Coffee-House* in *Edinburgh*) will satisfy any Buyer concerning the Progress of Rights, the Rental of each Farm, with the Conditions of Sale, &c.

BY Order of Mr. John Ogilvie of Balbignie, Mr. John Forbes of Newhall, and Mr. Alexander Bayne of Rivas, Advocates, Trustees and Arbiters for the Creditors of David Earl of *Norburgh*.

There are to give Notice that the said Trustees and Arbiters are to proceed in the Ranking; Now, that the most part of them have signed the Submission, and for that End, the Arbiters have appointed the Creditors to give in their Claims and Instructions of Debt to *William Mercer* Writer in *Edinburgh*, Clerk to the said Submission, betwixt and the first of *January* next; and such Creditors as have not as yet signed the Submission by themselves or by Proxy; are hereby advertised and desired, to sign the same, or send Powers to their Doers for that Effect, That they may not be precluded from the Benefit of the Disposition granted by the said Earl, in Favour of his Creditors; and that they likewise send up the Grounds of their Debt, and give in their Claims thereon, CERTIFYING, such as do not herewith comply, the Arbiters will proceed without any further Delay.

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